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# Friendly-Fire-Club,

ESTABLISHED AT

PARR-TOWN,

ON TUESDAY

THE 22d DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1785.

ST. JOHN:

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and his Surname at length, the same to be kept hanging in the most convenient place in his house, never to be removed or used, except on alarm of sire, on penalty of Ten Shillings.

Member shall repair with his Bags and Buckets to such of the members of this Society, as shall be most in danger, and endeavour to the utmost of his power to save their effects and secure them by carefully conveying them to some convenient place, to the best of his judgment, and to prevent the embezzlement of them, and whoever shall wilfully neglect his attendance shall pay a fine of Twenty Shillings, to the Clerk for the use of the Society.

IV. That a President be chosen annually on the THIRD Tuesday in February for the orderly transacting the business of this Society at their several mettings who shall attend to all motions made and seconded, and put the same to vote, every

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every vote to be determined by a majority, except that of admitting a new member, which shall be unanimous of all present.

V. That a clerk be appointed annually on the THIRD TUESDAY in February, in the following manner, every member who has not ferved before, or paid the fine for not ferving, shall draw a lot, and whoever draws lot No. 1. shall serve in that office or pay a fine of Ten Shillings, if he chuse to pay the fine, the draft to be repeated until one be found to serve. - The clerk to receive and account for all fines -to fettle all reckonings at each quarterly meeting-alfo to call all meetingslikewise to warn four of the members to walk with him as they stand on the list, fo that each member may be made acquainted with the places of our dwellings -to keep a fair account of his and the Society's proceedings, and for neglect he shall be fined Ten Shillings; and each member shall be fined Five Shillings if he refuse to walk in his turn.

VI.

VI. That every member shall provide himsels with a copy of these articles, the name of every member, the place of his abode, store, &c. When any member shall remove to another dwelling, store, &c. he shall inform the clerk thereof, who shall insert the same in the next notification for meeting, on penalty of Two Shillings; and each member shall conform his articles thereto and produce the same at the next meeting, on penalty of Two Shillings.

VII. That we may distinguish the members of this Society from others, there shall be a Watchword without which no person is to be admitted by the member who shall act as centinel at the door of the shouse of the member in danger, unless his admittance be requested by said member—the watchword to be altered by consent of the Society, and any member not being able to tell it at each meeting time of alarm, or when called upon by the clerk, when demanded by the clerk, shall pay Two Shillings, and if any member

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ber shall disclose the same to one who is not a member, he shall forever be expelled the Society.

VIII. That the clerk warn this Society THREE days before each meeting, by leaving a notification at the house of each member, and any member not having his buckets and bags in order as mentioned in the SECOND article, shall be noted by the clerk and represented to the Society the next meeting, under the penalty of Three Shillings.

IX. That whoever absents himself FOUR quarterly meetings successively, unlets from indisposition or being out of town, shall be deemed as quitting the Society paying his fines nevertheless for non-attendance &c. and shall not be readmitted without the usual ceremony of election.

X. That should any dispute arise in the Society it be decided by a majority of the members.

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